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Reconsideration of this application in light of the following remarks is requested.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claims 21, 28, and 35 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,480,860 to Monday ("Monday"). Applicant submits that this reference does not anticipate the subject matter of these claims under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e).

Each of the independent claims (claims 21, 28, and 35) requires dynamically loading a service and dynamically configuring the service. The PTO provides in MPEP § 2131 that, "[t]o anticipate a claim, the reference must teach every element of the claim."

Applicant submits that Monday is deficient in supporting a 35 U.S.C. §102(e) rejection in that it lacks a teaching or suggestion of dynamically loading a service and dynamically configuring the service. More specifically, the Examiner relies on Monday to disclose "[a] bridge interprets the data request from the client in markup language format, bridge looks in association file to determine if a document type definition (DTD) exists for the requested data type, [and] a suitable database query for the database is formulated corresponding to document type definitions (DTDs)" (Final Office action, page 6, lines 10-13). Applicant submits that formulating a database query does not teach or suggest dynamically loading and configuring a service, as is recited in each independent claim. For this reason, at least, the rejection is not supported by the Monday reference and should be withdrawn.

Dependent claims 22-27 and 29-34 depend from and further limit the independent claims referenced above. Therefore, dependent claims 22-27 and 29-34 should be allowable for at least the same reasons as the independent claims.

Conclusion

As the Examiner's rejections have been addressed, all pending claims should now be in condition for allowance. Notice of allowance of claims 21-35 is requested.

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